



City of Bellevue

State of Our Neighborhoods

*Taking a closer look at where we are and how we've grown
this past decade (2009-2020)*

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Agenda

- State of Our Neighborhoods
- Emerging Concerns
- Demographic Changes 2009-2020
- Impacts for Today: Housing, Mobility, Environment
- Data Dashboard





State of Our Neighborhoods

Bellevue neighborhoods are distinct and desirable places to live, AND *they are dynamic communities that grow and change over time.*

Council Priority:

Leverage data and technology to enhance community engagement, equity, and accountability.



Emerging Concerns

What we are hearing from the community...

- ☐ smart planning for growth
- ☐ traffic congestion
- ☐ noise concerns
- ☐ affordability of housing
- ☐ mega-homes impact
- ☐ homelessness
- ☐ climate change
- ☐ tree preservation
- ☐ mailbox theft and car prowls
- ☐ community connections
- ☐ more Bellevue news





Neighborhood Livability

94 percent rate their neighborhood good or excellent

4 Key Elements for Neighborhood Livability

**High quality built
and natural
environment**

**Providing public
safety services
such as police
and fire services**

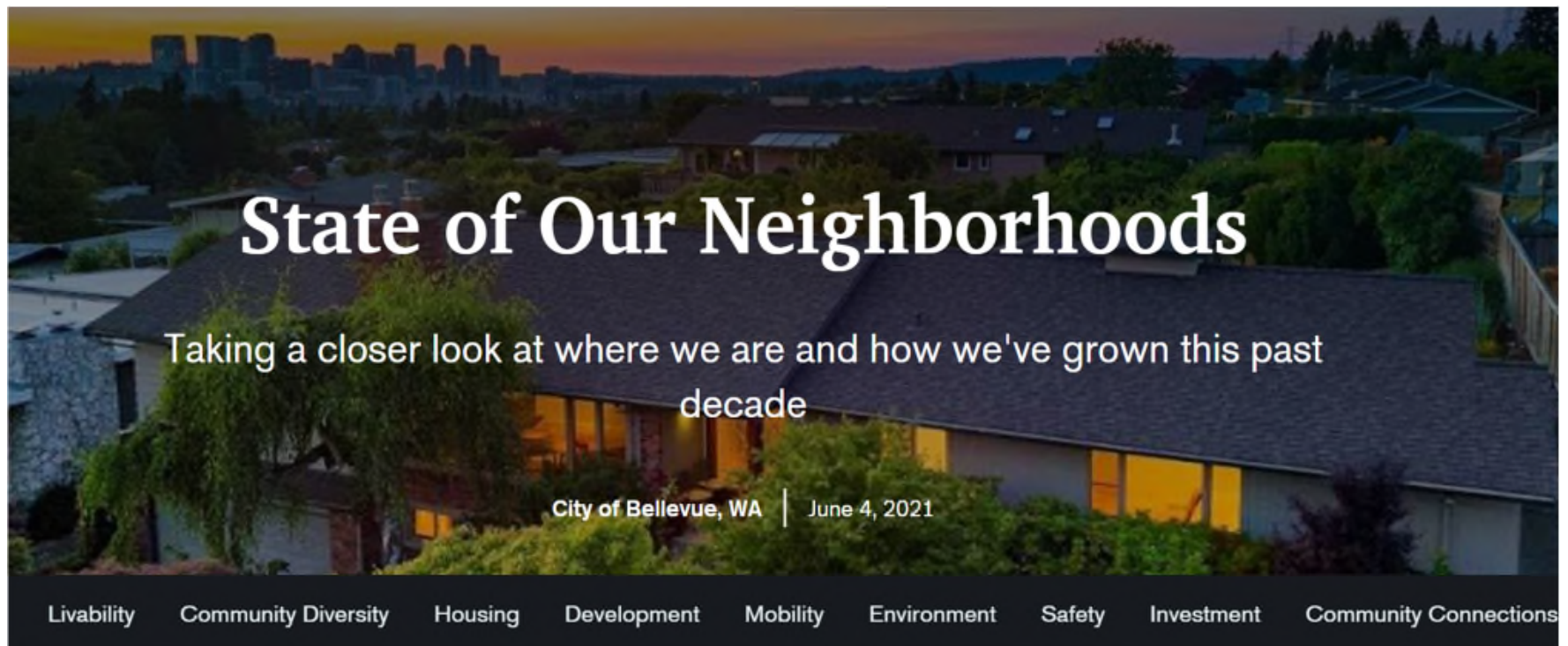
**Improving
transportation
and related
services**

**Maintaining and
developing a
caring
community**

Data Dashboard

<https://bellevuewa.gov/city-government/departments/community-development/neighborhoods>

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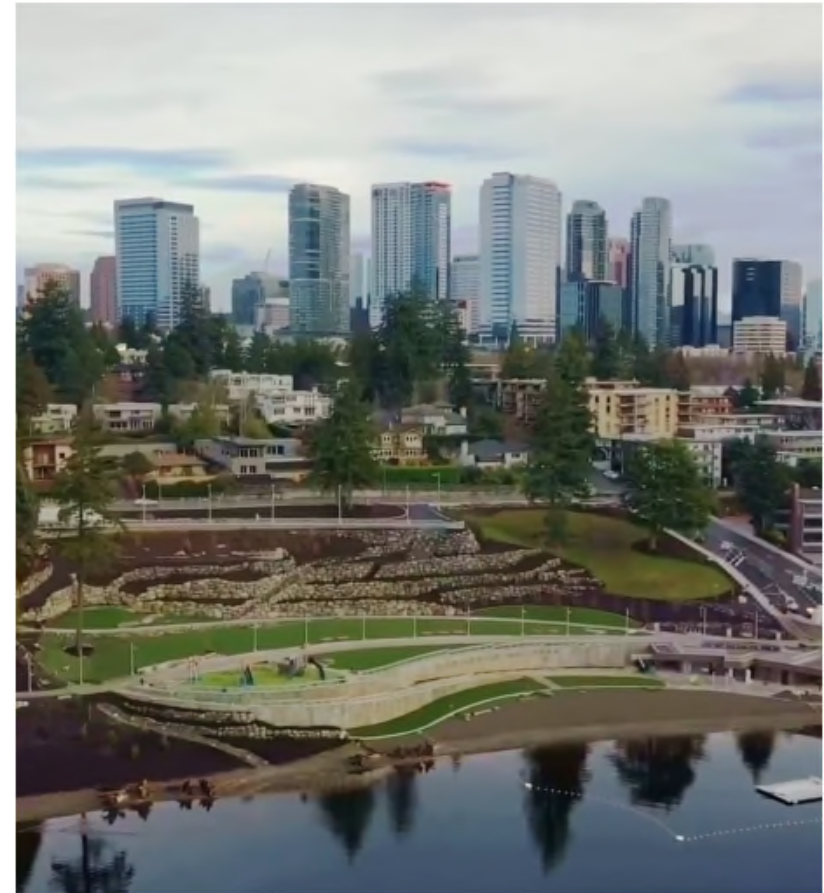


Bellevue is *the City Where You Want to Be.*



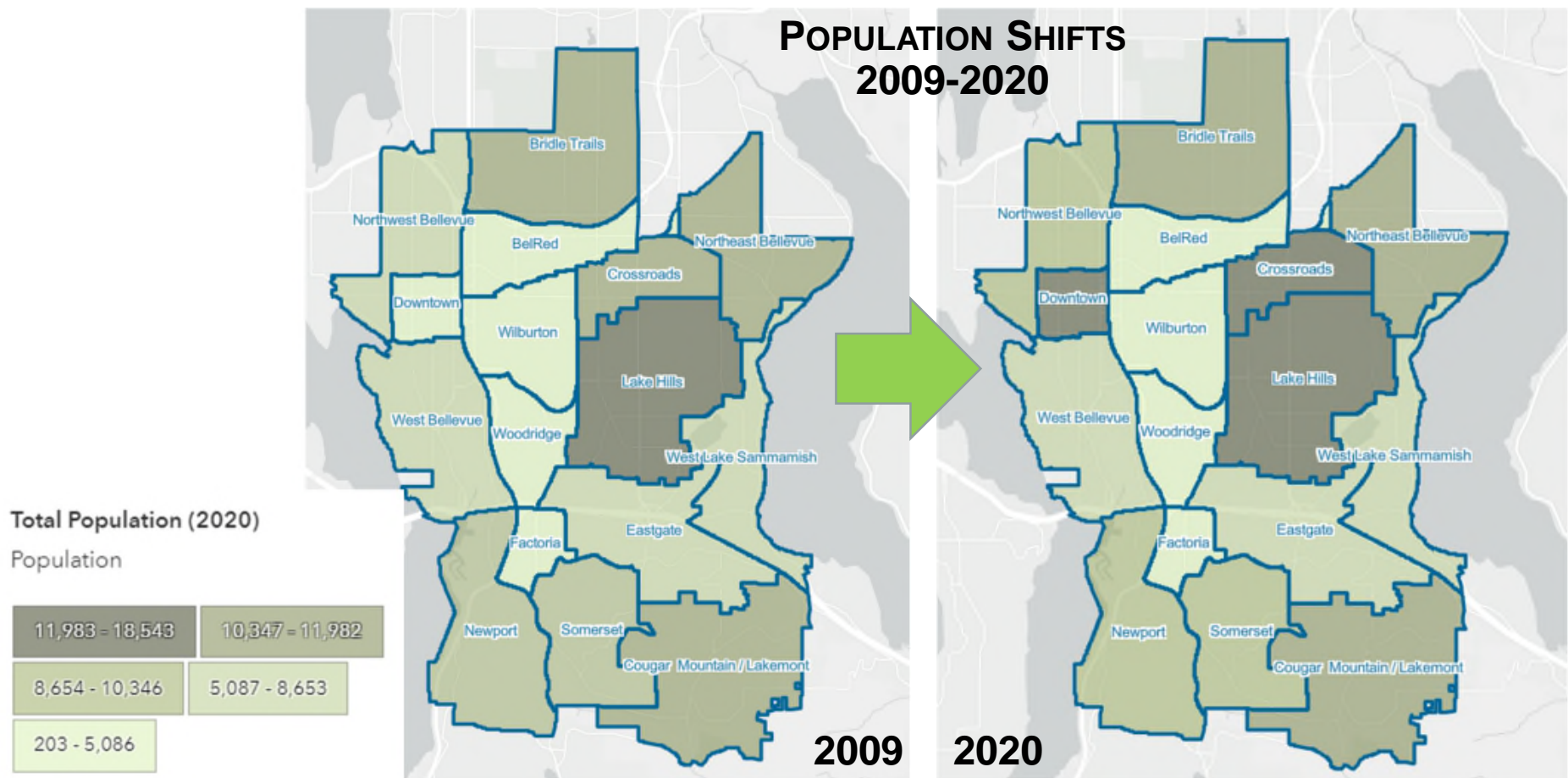
Bellevue's population has grown by 23% since 2009, but the growth is not uniform throughout the city.

Bellevue's residential population centers are increasing in density around Downtown and Crossroads, with the new residential growth beginning in the Spring District of BelRed.



Neighborhood Livability

Downtown and Crossroads areas are new population centers





The World is Here.

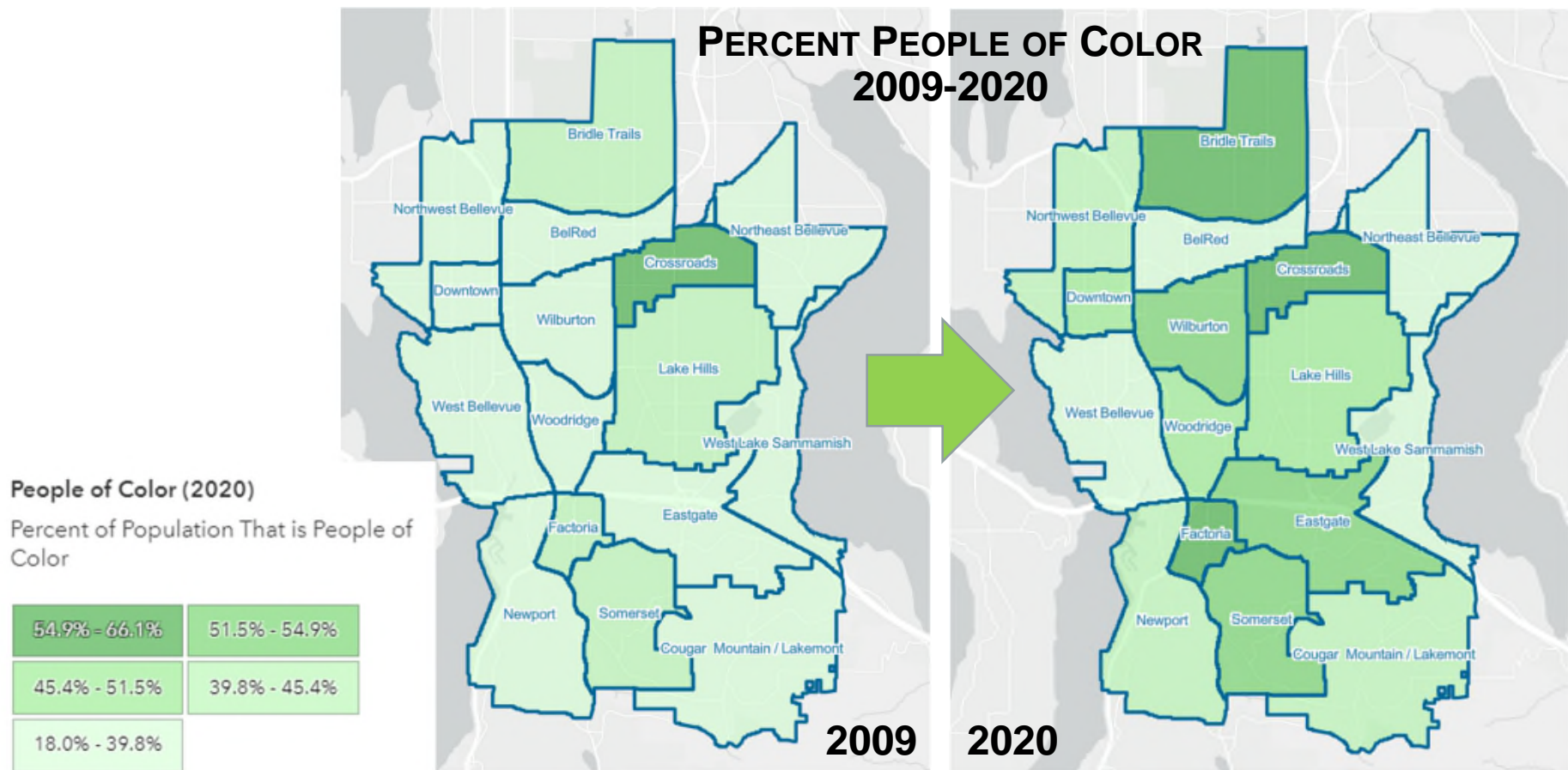
More Bellevue residents were born outside of the United States (41 percent) than were born within Washington State (27 percent)

A third to half of all residents are multi-lingual in most neighborhoods.



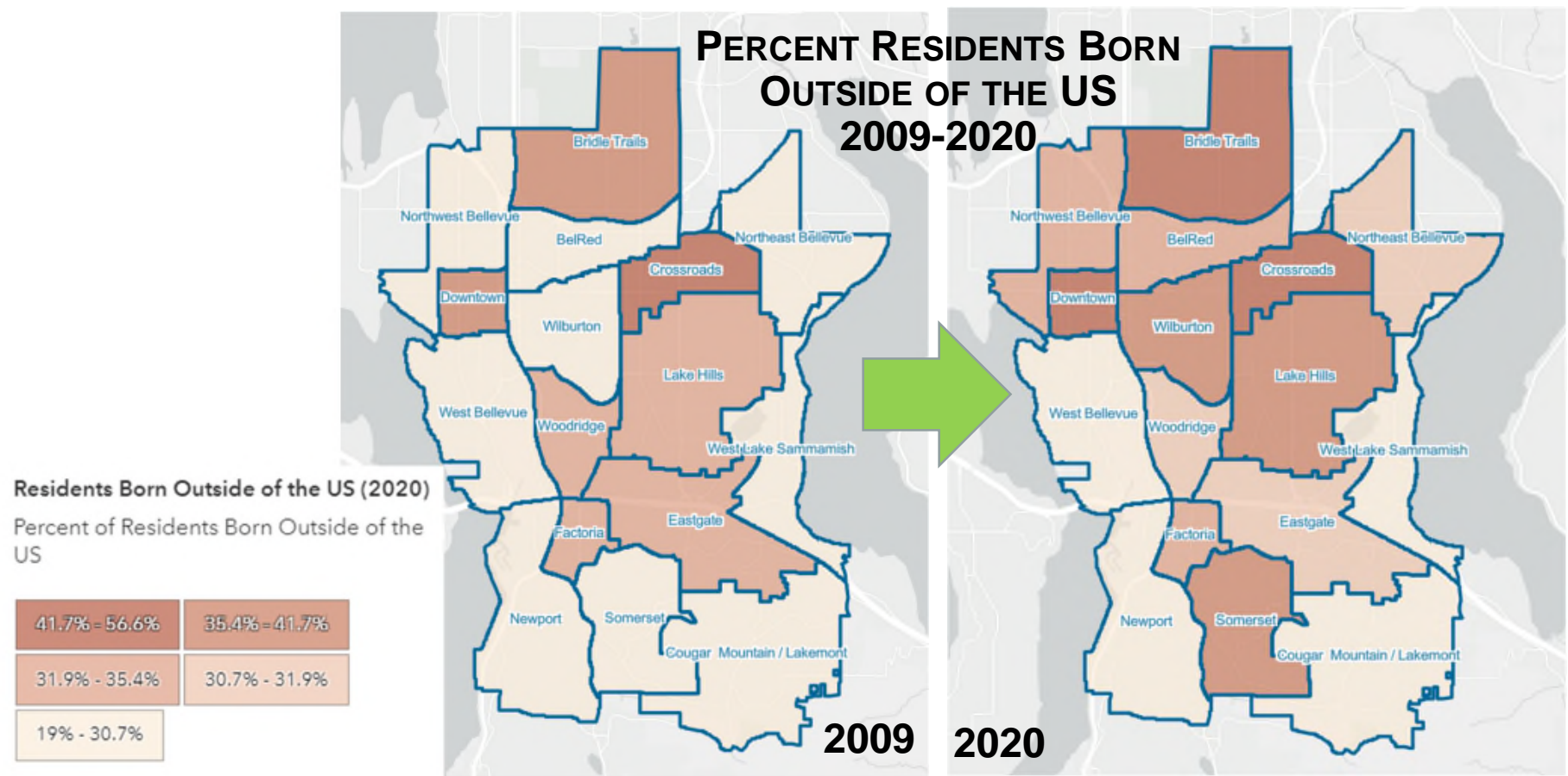
Community Diversity

Some neighborhoods are more than half non-white



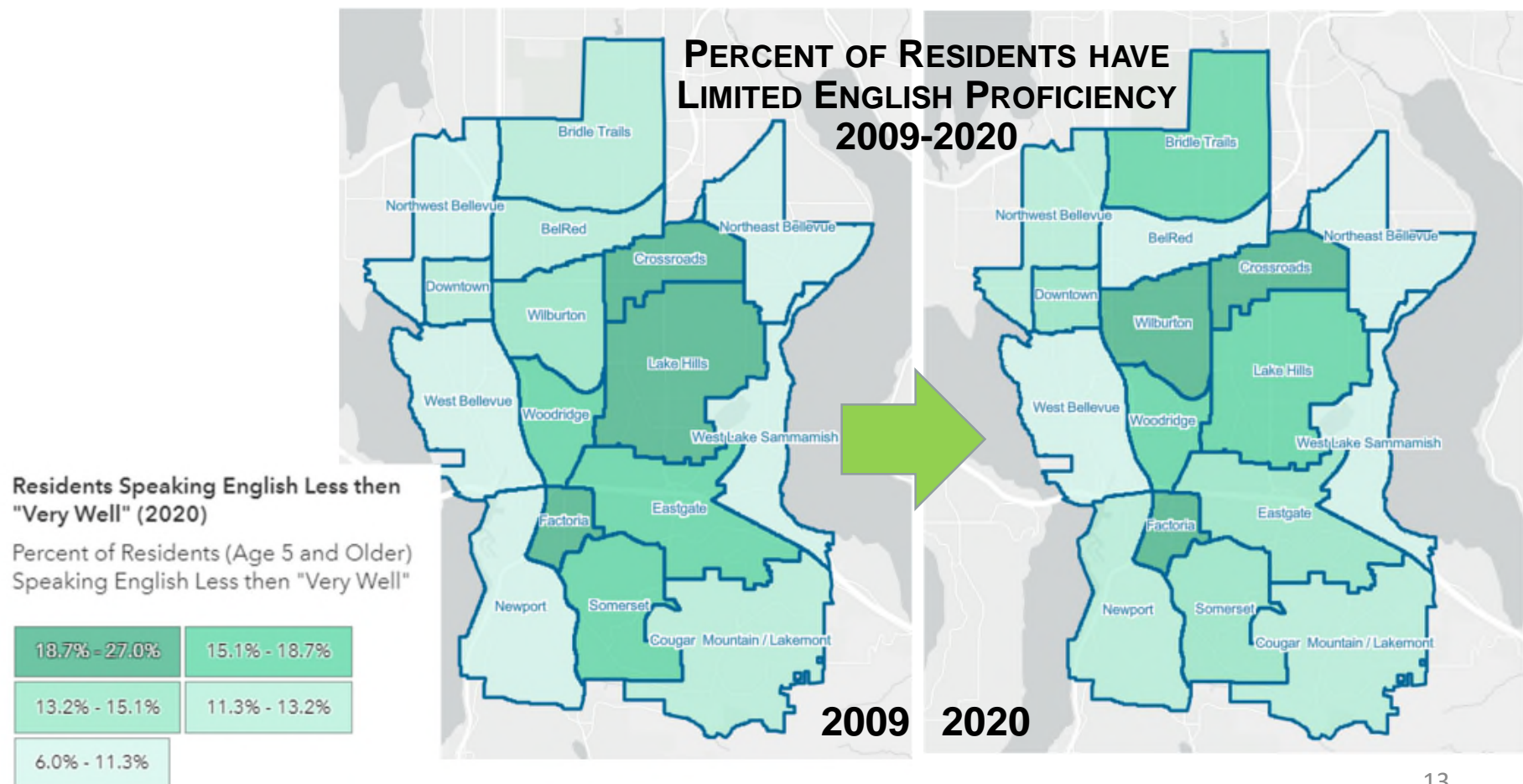
Community Diversity

The City has become a crossroads of the world.



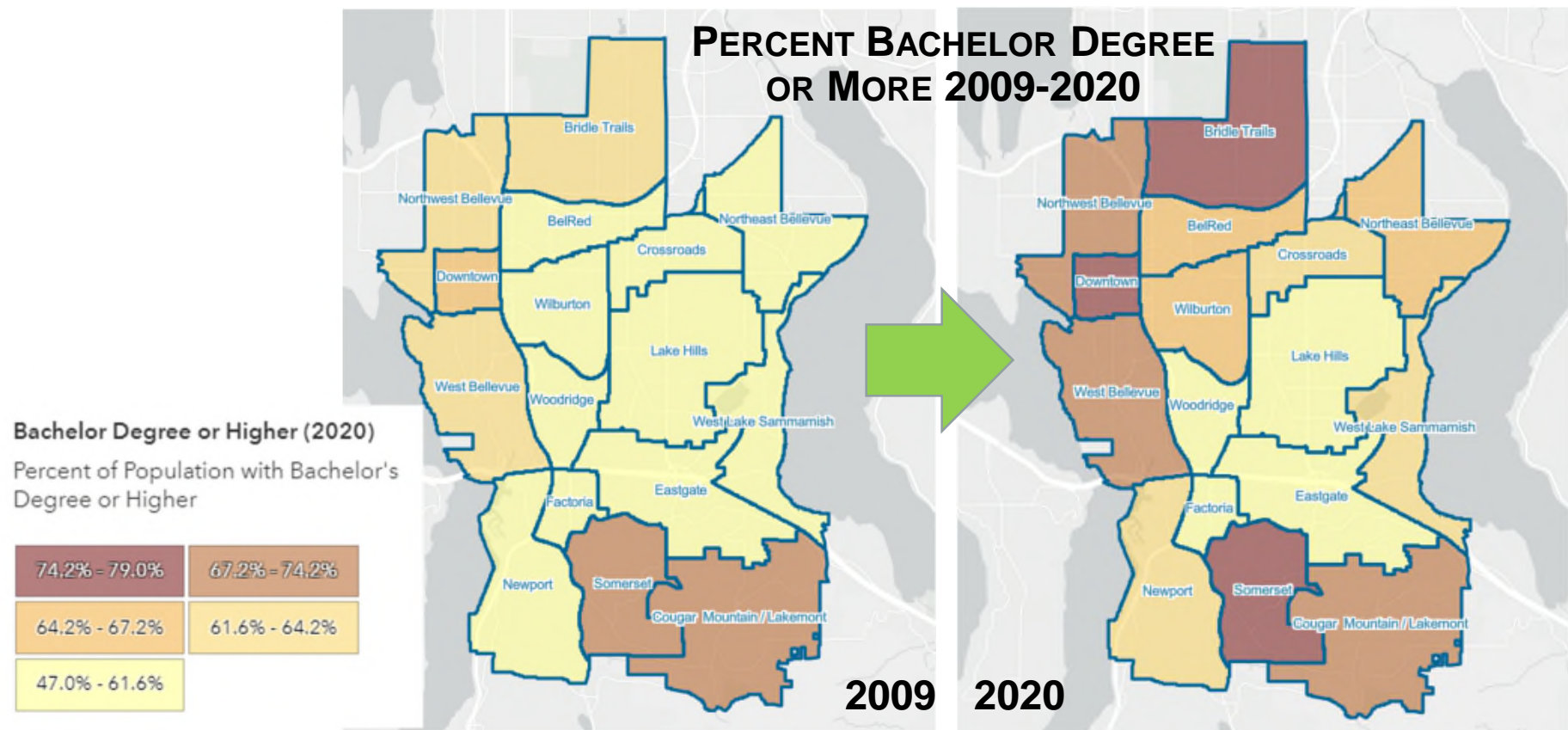
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Language access continues to grow in demand



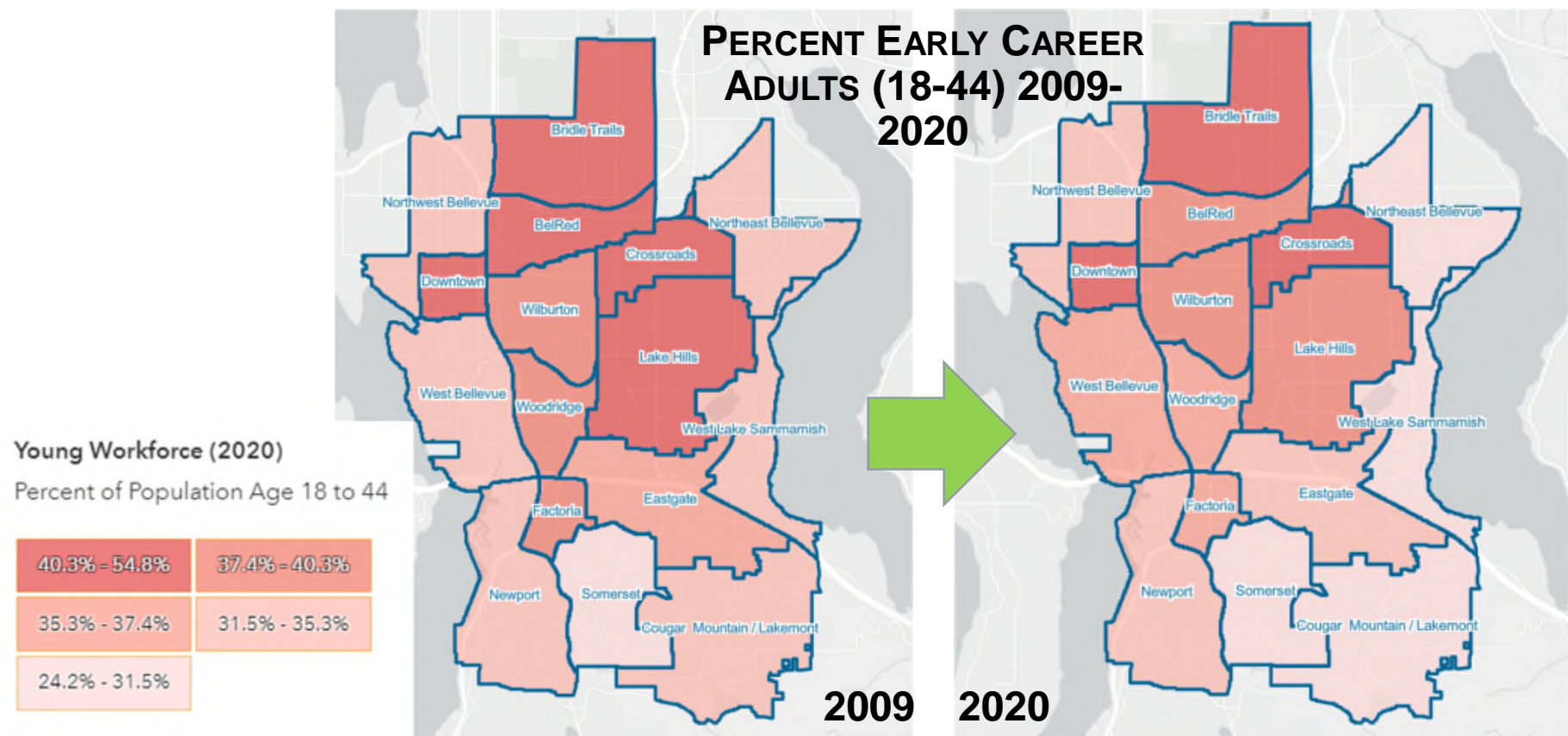
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71 percent of adult residents have a Bachelor Degree or higher.



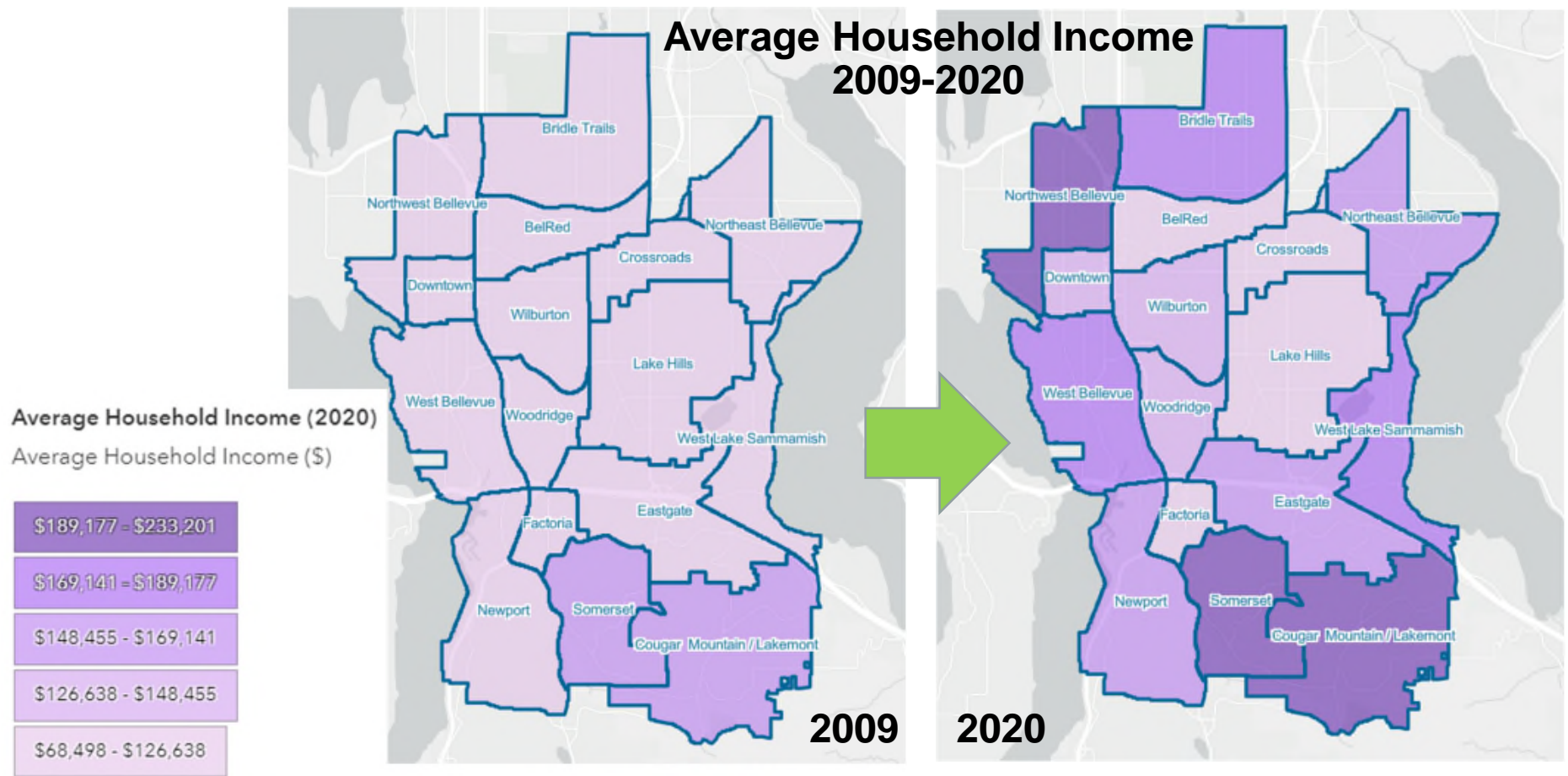
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Early career adults (18-44) is 41 percent of total population.



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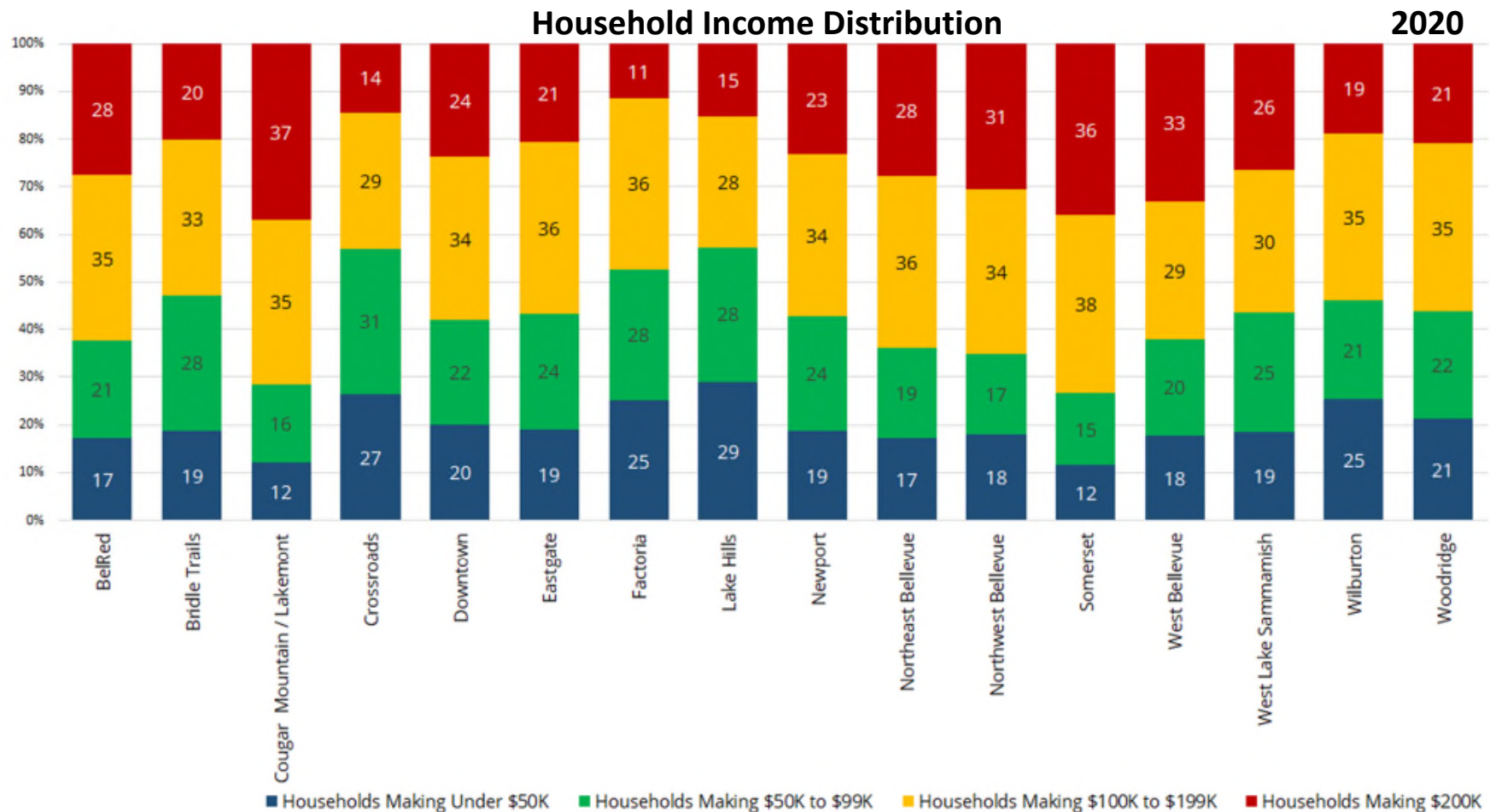
Average Household Income has increased citywide.





Today's Income Distribution

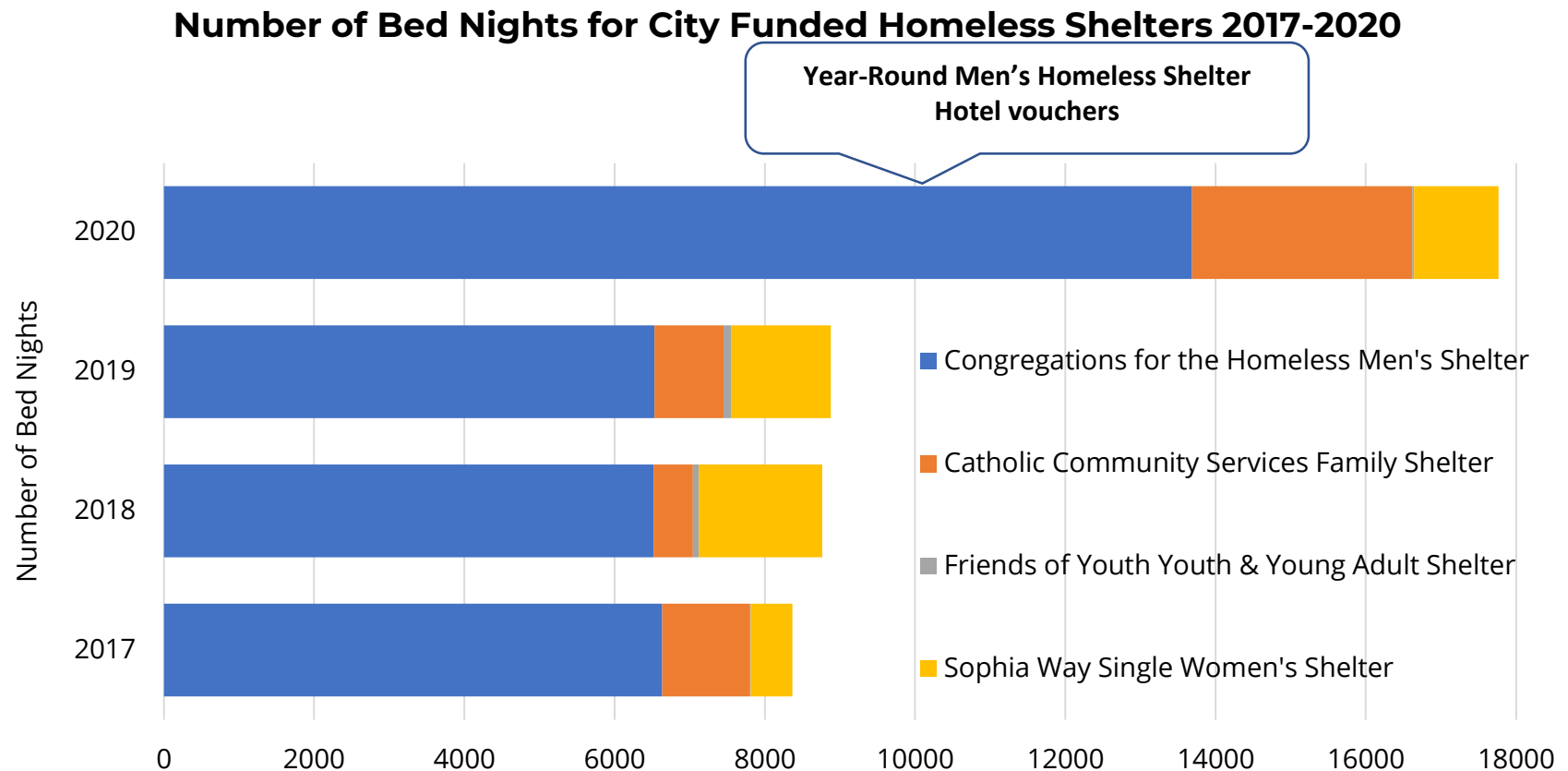
Household Income Distribution Varies Across Neighborhoods





Community Diversity

In 2019-20 there were 375 students experiencing homelessness.





New Mid-Size Housing missing

From 2009-2020, over 10,200 new housing units have been created.

New multi-family housing has created units that average 1.6 bedrooms.

New single-family housing has created housing (4-6K sq feet) that average 3.8 bedrooms+.



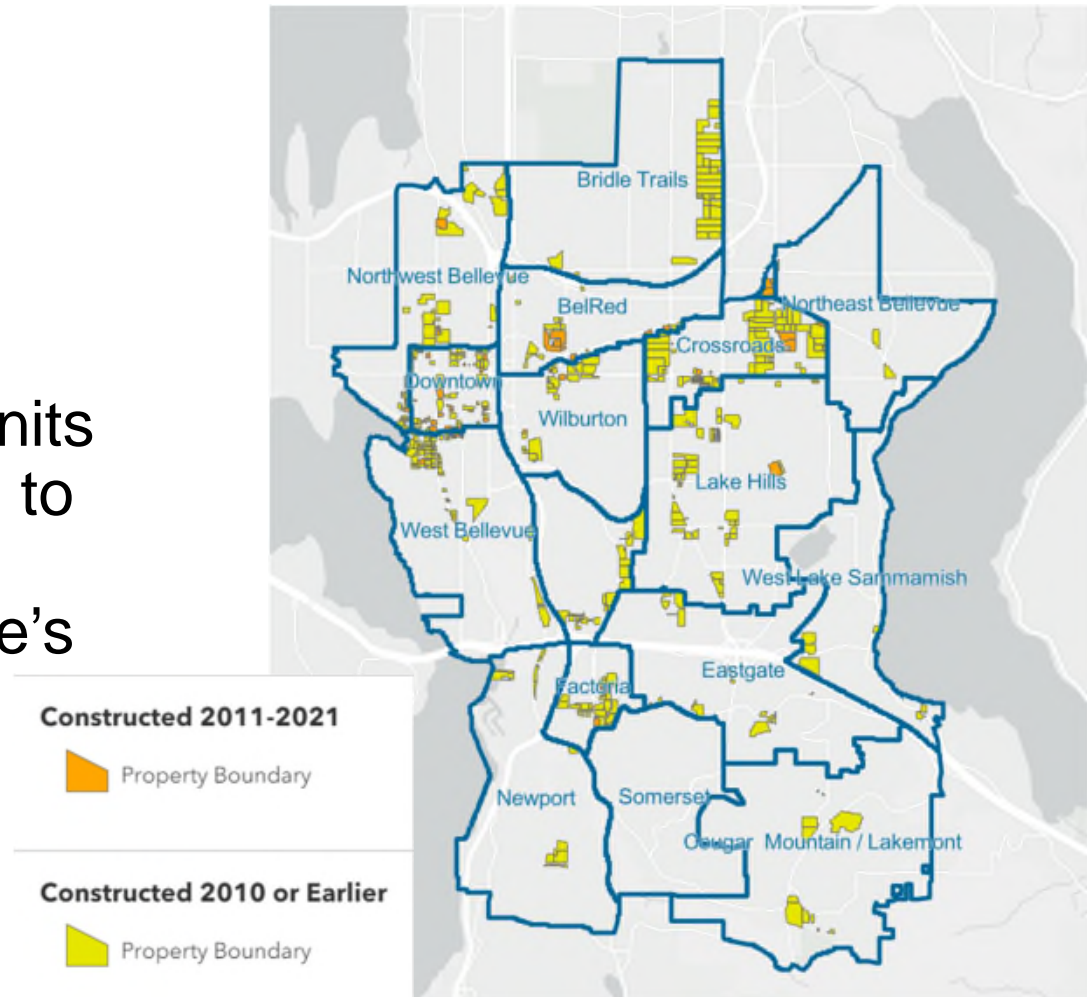


Housing

Home ownership and renters are now split 50/50.

The number of multi-family housing units in Bellevue has grown to **30,864 units**, **39 percent** of Bellevue's population.

MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING 2020

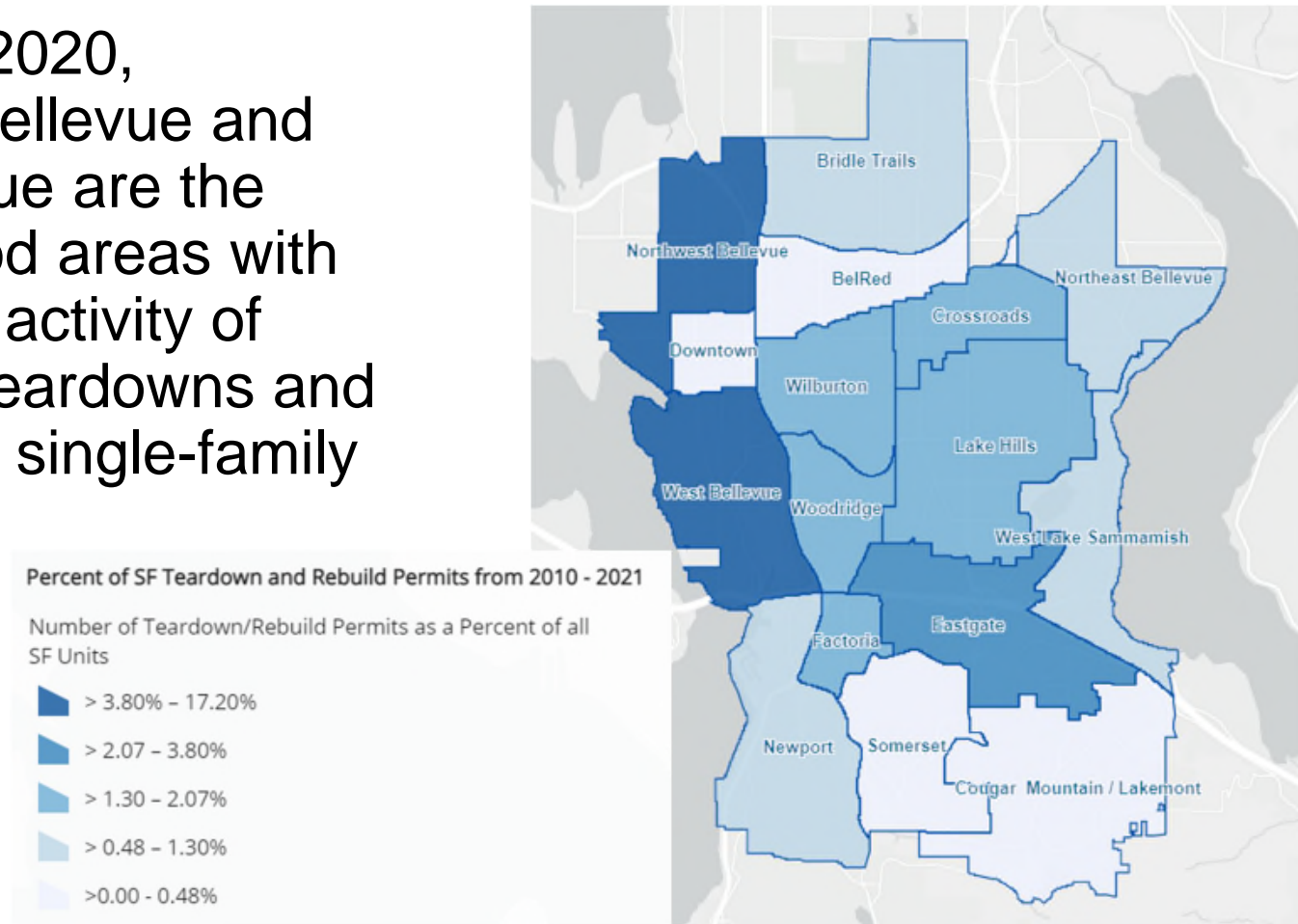




Housing

From 2010-2020, Northwest Bellevue and West Bellevue are the neighborhood areas with the greatest activity of permits for teardowns and rebuilding of single-family housing.

SINGLE FAMILY TEARDOWN AND REBUILD PERMIT ACTIVITY 2010-2020





Housing

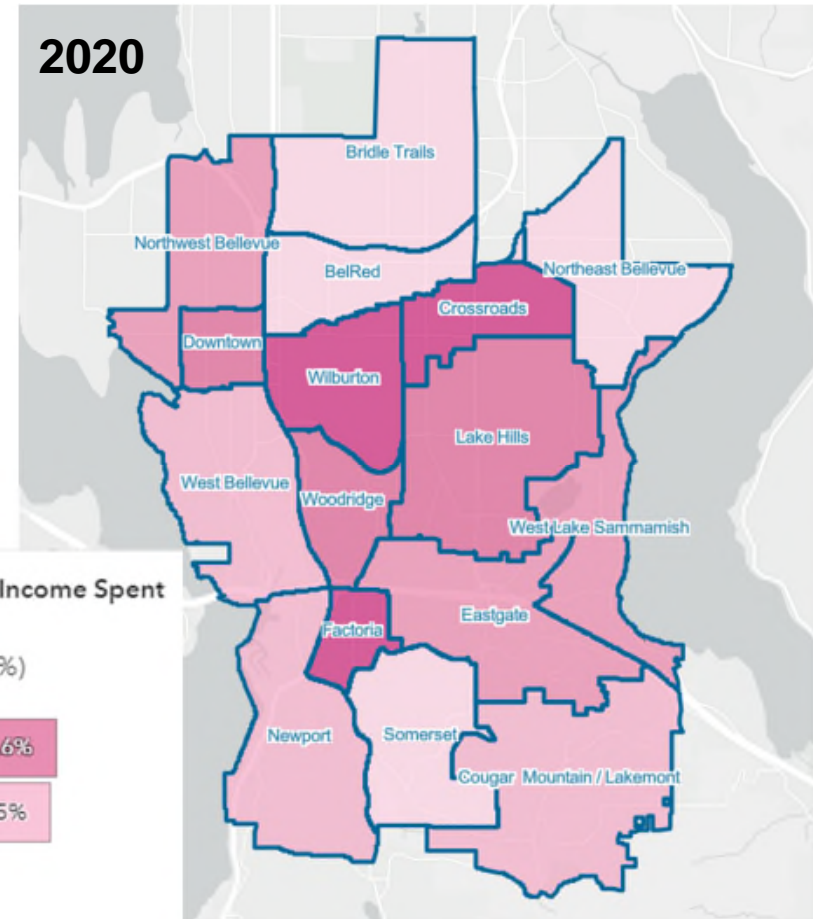
COST BURDEN: 30% + OF INCOME SPENT ON HOUSING

Housing Cost Burden Worst for
Low Income Households

38 percent of renter-occupied
households are cost burdened.

24 percent of owner-occupied
households are cost-burdened

2020



30% or More of Household Income Spent
on Housing (2020)

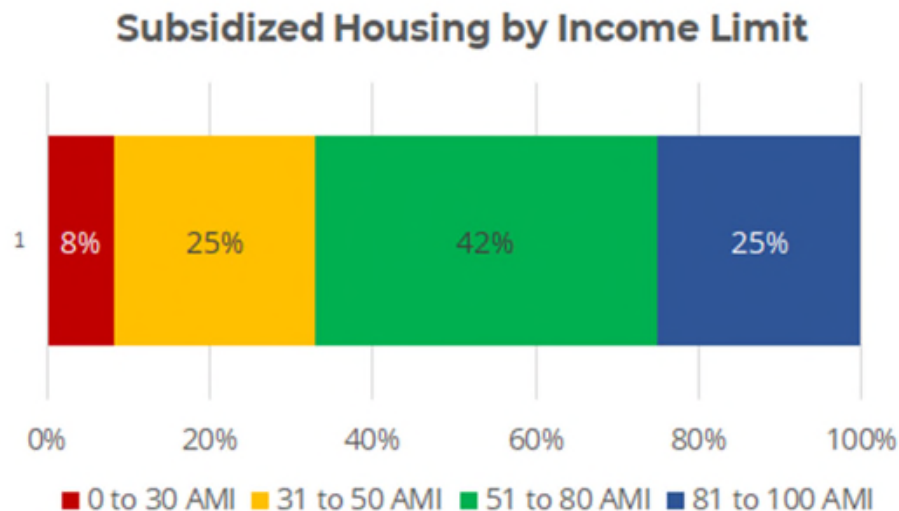
Total Housing Cost Burden (%)

34.6% - 43.6%	32.3% - 34.6%
28.5% - 32.3%	27.2% - 28.5%
24.1% - 27.2%	

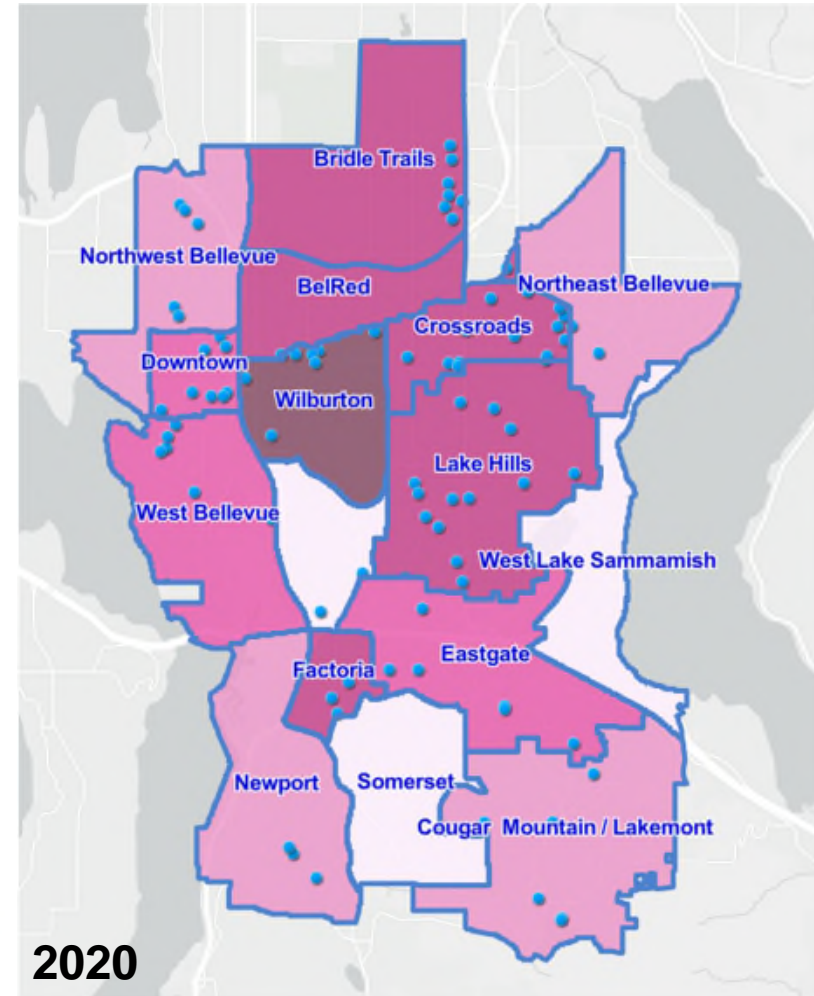


Housing

Bellevue has 2,418 regulated affordable housing units, which represents 4 percent of all housing units.



AFFORDABLE HOUSING (SUBSIDIZED)



Neighborhood Mobility means greater choice and safety.



Neighborhoods want

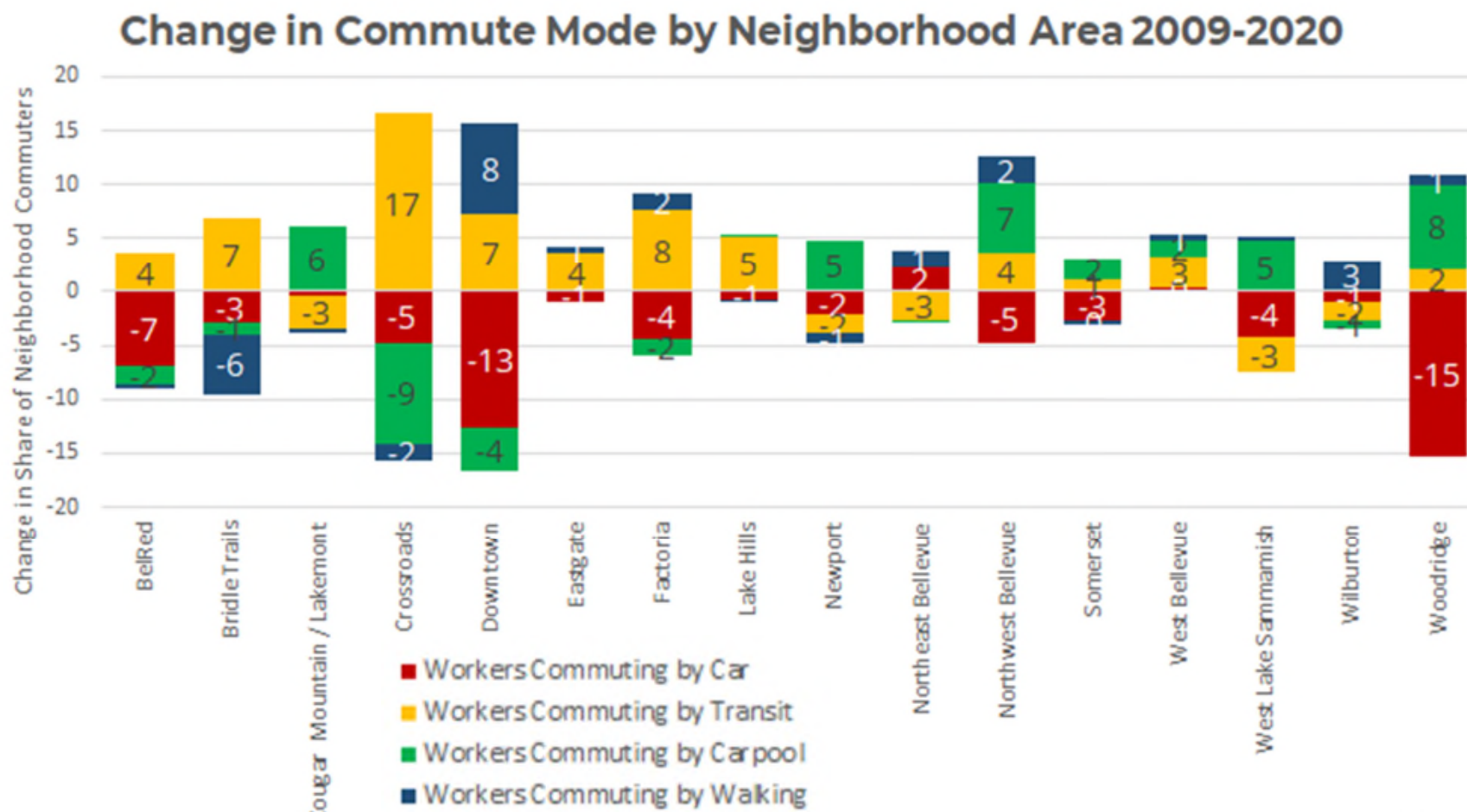
- traffic calming projects
- greater connections between neighborhoods
- better access to public transportation
- improved pedestrian and bike safety
- and measures to reduce traffic congestion.





Neighborhood Mobility

Increase in multi-modal commuting across neighborhoods



2020 Commute data based on 2019 trends. It does not include the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Living within “City in a Park”

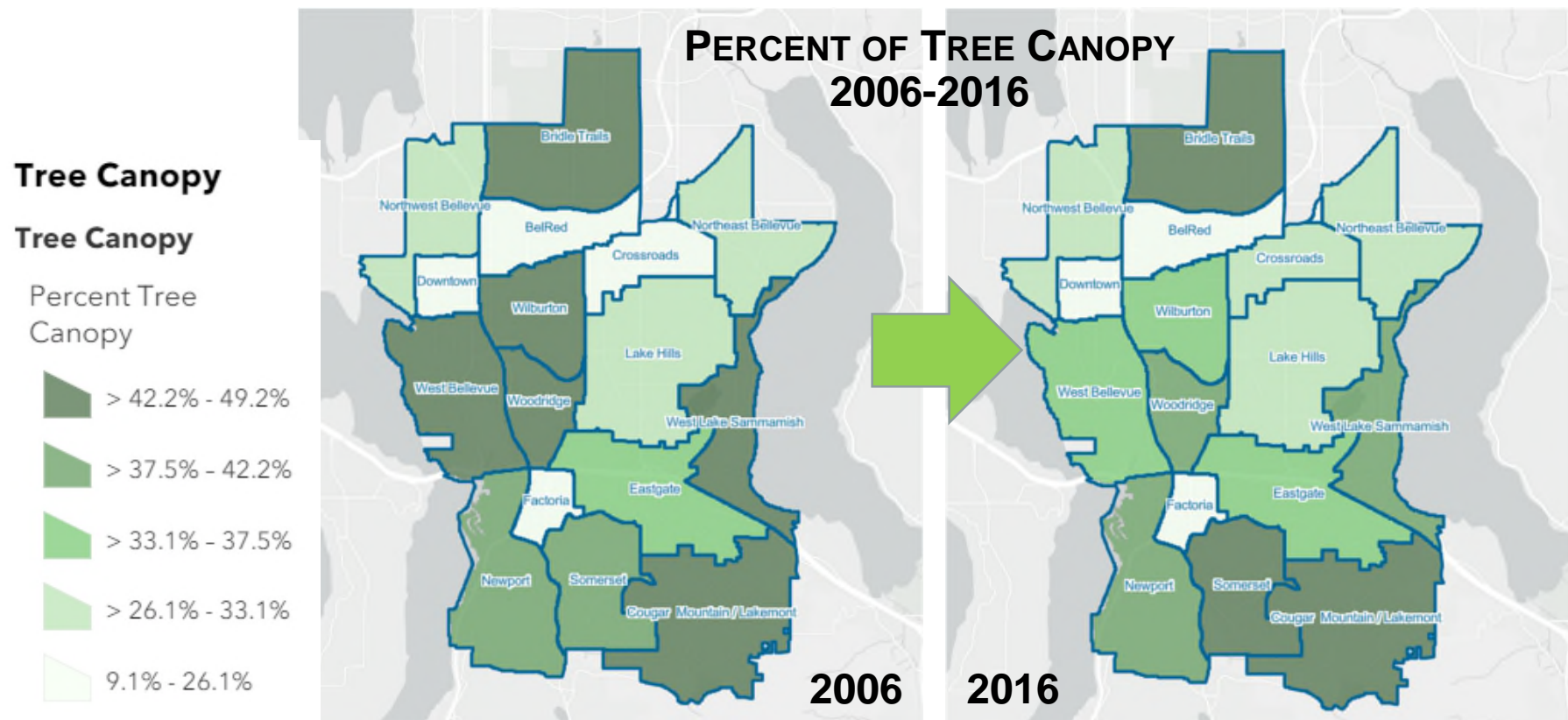
Beyond Trees - climate change, mobility and land use, energy, materials management and waste, natural systems and municipal operations

Trees - Neighborhood interest is growing for community outreach and education on the value of trees, tree planting initiatives, and a review of city codes on tree preservation.



Environment

Overall Tree Canopy remaining steady at 37 percent





Neighborhood Safety

Percent of people surveyed who feel safe walking alone in **neighborhoods after dark**

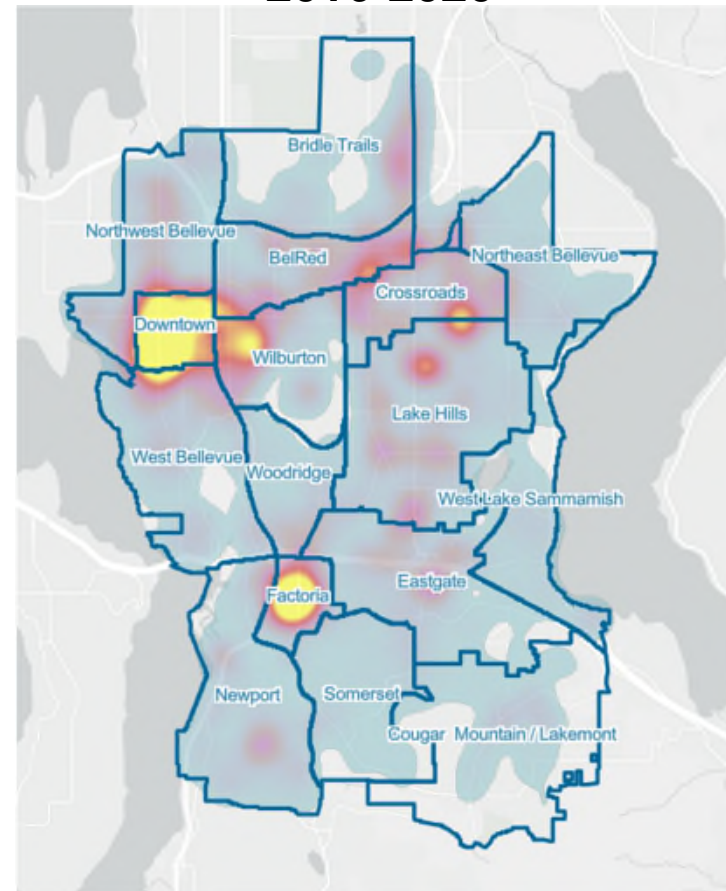
2015 86%
2016 84%
2017 87%
2018 91%



2019
87%

The Bellevue [Police Department Data Dashboard](#) provides data maps to increase public access, improve transparency and enhance community trust with the police department.

CRIME CASES HEAT MAP 2016-2020






Neighborhood Safety


Precincts Making a Difference

SECTOR CAPTAINS


Joe Nault
West Sector
Captain

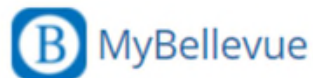


Alycia McKinney
North Sector
Captain



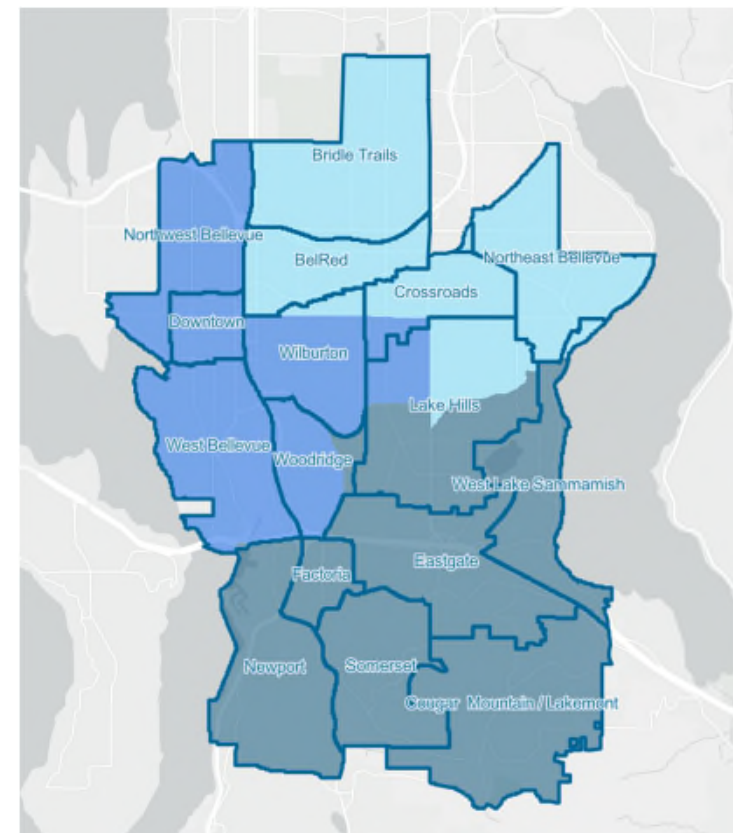
Dave Sanabria
South Sector
Captain





Contact Your Police Sector Captain

Got an issue affecting your neighborhood? Contact the sector captain for your area! A captain is assigned to each of three geographical sectors -- North, South and West -- and is ultimately responsible for issues taking place in their sector.



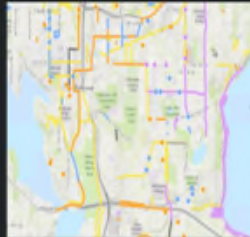
Investments

Capital Projects in Neighborhoods

Projects in Your Neighborhood

Mapping application that provides information about highest priority capital projects.

<https://gtbexternalpr.bellevuewa.gov>

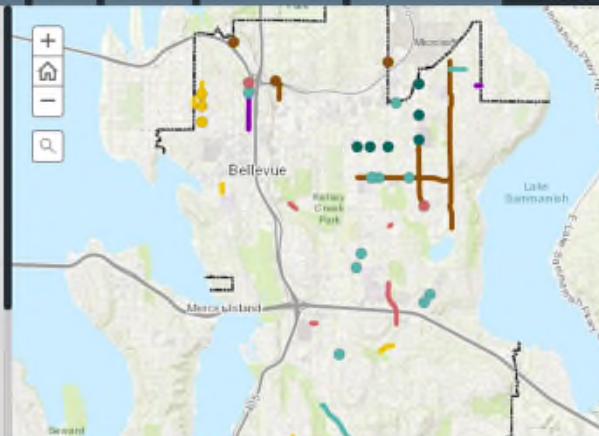


Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion Levy Projects

Overview Bike Congestion Maintenance Safety Sidewalks Traffic Technology Completed Projects



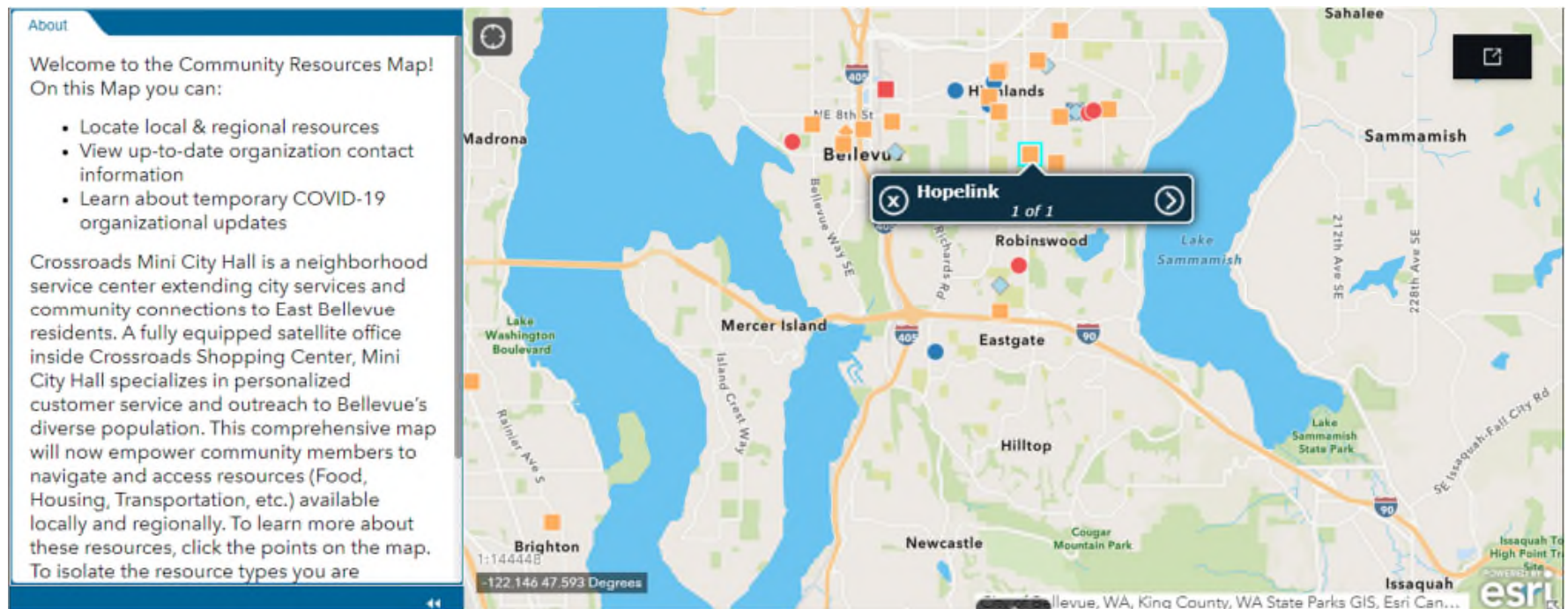
In 2016, Bellevue voters approved the 20-year [Neighborhood Safety, Connectivity and Congestion Levy](#)





Community Organizations

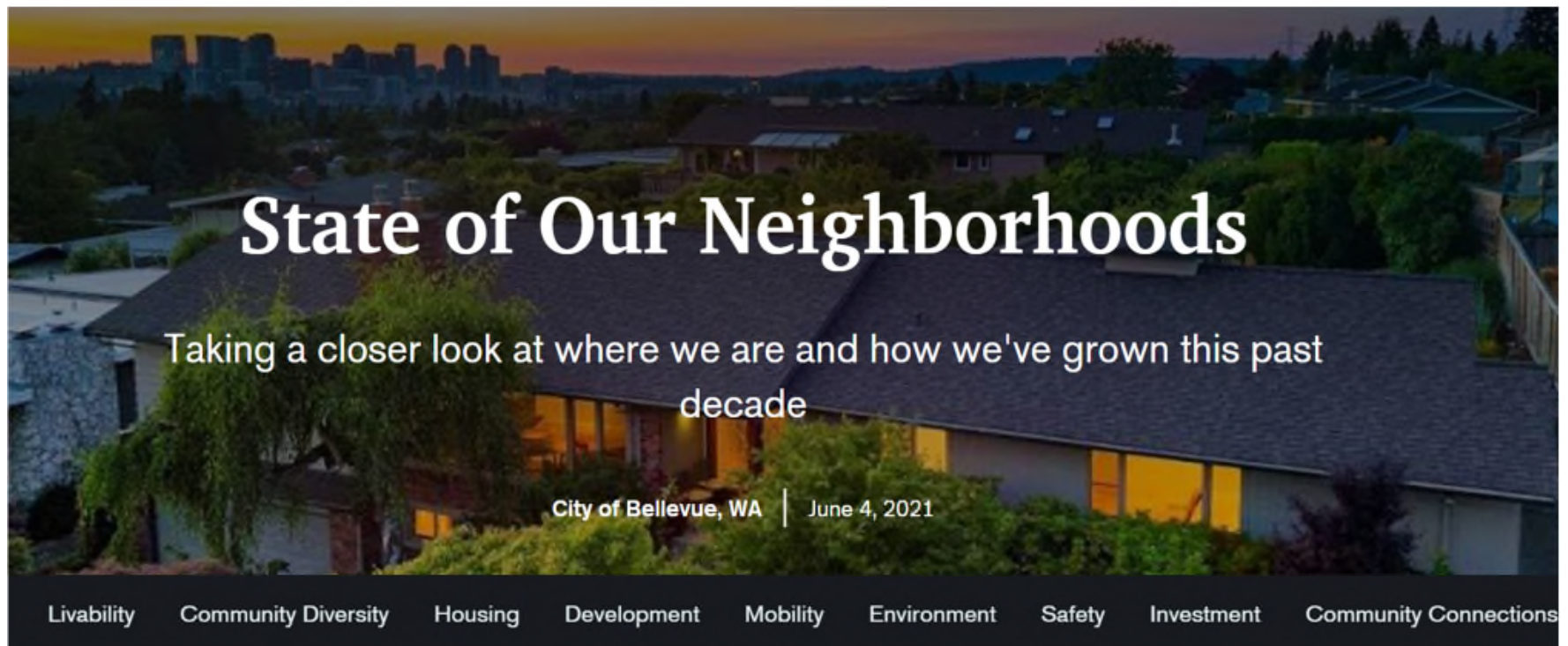
There are **55 Registered Neighborhood Associations** and Community Associations.



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